

Now on this 7th day of December 2021, the Board of Commissioners, Sheridan County, Kansas met in regular session with Chairman Wes Bainter presiding. Others present were Joe Bainter, Buck Mader, Joe Pratt County Attorney and County Clerk Heather Bracht. Guest was The Sheridan Sentinel.

Wes Bainter called the meeting to order at 8:00 am.

Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Joe Herskowitz, Road & Bridge Supervisor, came to the table. Herskowitz presented garage door quotes for a door at the old shop that is damaged. Wes Bainter made a motion to accept the bid from Raynor Doors of Colby in the amount of \$5,589. Joe Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. By consensus the board approved Herskowitz purchasing a diesel pump from Bainter Oil but advised him to get a second one for the other pump that will need replacing later. The snowplow has been attached and is ready to go. They picked up the broom from Hoxie Implement and when the feedlot is ready, they will go out and sweep. There was discussion about the feedlot road and an area in the southwest part of the county. The grade on the Sheridan/Graham county line is done but they are finishing up some additional work. The board and Herskowitz discussed the bridge at 20E/1/2 mile south. Wes Bainter distributed specifications for the bridge at 20E/1/2 S. Wes Bainter is thinking low water crossing bridge and Mader feels there should be a concrete culvert there. Wes Bainter stated if it can't be fixed economically, then don't fix it at all. The board will check the bridges again and come back with a plan.

At 8:51, Joe Bainter made a motion to enter into executive session for a period of 10 minutes for the discussion of non-elected personnel. Mader seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. Present were the board, Bracht and Pratt. The door opened at 9:01 with no decision being made.

At 9:01, Wes Bainter opened the public hearing for hearing questions or comments on the revised Sheridan County Environmental Sanitary Code. There being no discussion or questions Wes Bainter closed the public hearing. Wes Bainter made a motion to approve the revised Sheridan County Environmental Sanitary Code book effective January 1, 2022. Mader seconded. Carried 3-0.

Dana Hess and Dana Knudsen from Sheridan County Dispatch entered the meeting. Hess distributed payscale and pay overview information to the board. Hess stated that there have been no applications received since July. Hess would like the starting wage to be \$16.00/hr. Hess continued by stating that when they are fully staffed, there is no overtime. Hess has currently been covering when people have been out. The board and Hess discussed a "regional" dispatch. There are good and bad sides to the idea. Undersheriff Brian Diercks came to the table for Sheriff Brandon Carver. Diercks stated that they would like officers compensated for the entire shift when working a holiday. Bracht stated that prior to November, they were being paid holiday pay for the actual time worked, whether 4 hrs. or 24 hrs. Changing to 8 hrs. only for holiday pay is what is being discussed currently. Wes Bainter asked Diercks if law enforcement could dispatch when they are shorthanded. Diercks responded that they could answer the phone but they don't have the credentialing or knowledge of the system. Carver will be placed on the agenda for the 21st to discuss the purchasing of the new sheriff department vehicle.

Bracht distributed several Treasurer abatements for approval and signature. Wes Bainter made a motion to approve the abatements, seconded by Mader. Carried 3-0. By consensus, Sheridan County will not join the League of Kansas Municipalities. There was discussion on road & bridge

overtime. Bracht advised the board that the dragging that was happening on the south door of the courthouse had been repaired. An individual had commented to Wes Bainter that at some point years ago the City of Hoxie had paid to the county \$30,000 towards the next cell to be built at the landfill. Bracht will check on this. Bracht was contacted by Tim Lee, Maintenance at Sheridan County Health Complex about being charged for dumping at the landfill. The board stated if it was construction material being disposed of there would be a charge because it is being taken to a different area for disposal. Bracht will contact Lee and advise him of this.

The automatic handicap door on the north side of the courthouse will be paid for out of the general repairs line item.

Mader made a motion seconded by Joe Bainter to approve the December 3, 2021 payroll as presented.

The December 7, 2021 warrants were approved on a motion by Wes Bainter. Mader seconded the motion. Carried 3-0.

The November 30, 2021 minutes were approved as presented on a motion by Joe Bainter and second by Wes Bainter. Carried 3-0.

At 9:58 Mader made a motion to move the meeting to bridge #46 (20E/1/2 S) to review. Joe Bainter seconded the motion. Carried 3-0. Present for the bridge meeting were the board, Bracht and Pratt. The board reconvened at the bridge. This bridge was inspected and then the board moved to the bridge located at 60E/10S. At 10:49 the board reconvened the meeting at the courthouse. Wes Bainter will redraw the bridge specifications for 20E/1/2 S to accommodate a drain tube. Wes Bainter asks that everyone go and look at the bridges and come to the meeting on the 21st prepared to make a decision. If we are spending the money, we don't want to put a bandaid on it.

The flagpole will be moved to the Selden EMS building by the road & bridge department. They will take care of getting in placed in the ground. The part of the old pole still above the concrete at the courthouse will be removed.

There was discussion on the Y east of Selden. Leroy Spresser is checking it. Consensus by the board is it will be re-ripped and re-laid.

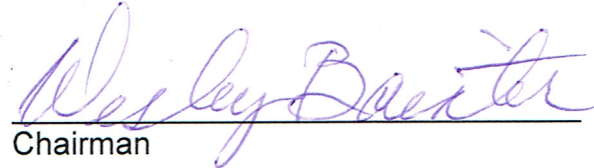
The following warrants and payroll were audited and approved:

General	\$ 57,166.17	Road & Bridge	\$ 12,665.20
Spec Hwy	\$ 8,602.81	Nox Weed	\$ 1,543.33
Public Transp	\$ 902.55	MV	\$ 1,229.48
Conceal Carry	\$ 83.80		

At 11:00 with no further business, Wes Bainter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Joe Bainter. Carried 3-0. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, December 21, 2021, at 8:00 in the first-floor foyer.

Attest: 
County Clerk




Chairman